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TOGO'S GREAT VICTORY.

London Daily Telegraph Has Information Japs Were Successful.

London, May 29.—Many dispatches from Tokyo and other points appearing in Monday morning's newspapers are filled with more or less authentic details of recent movements of Admiral Rojostvensky's ships and surmises and rumors of the results of the battle between Japanese and Russian fleets, but add nothing reliable to the dispatch received by the Associated Press correspondents.

According to the Daily Telegraph a private telegram was received in London Sunday night in a high quarter to the effect that Togo had gained a great victory. Based on the meager details already received here most of the newspapers are ready to believe the Japanese have secured a victory. The secrecy maintained at Tokyo apparently extends to the European legations. At any rate Baron Hayashi, the Japanese minister here, declined to see newspaper correspondents much less to talk of the battle. The indications from many of the dispatches are that Rojostvensky sent some of his vessels through the Tsugaru strait with a view of mystifying the Japanese.

Dispatch to a news agency says that two Russian warships were sighted Sunday afternoon at Masaki in Shikoku province, Hokkaido, steaming southwest, but it is not known whether they belonged to Rojostvensky or if they were from Vladivostok.

It is assumed here that the Japanese government will follow its customary plan not to allow details to be published until the action has been completed and it is believed that the fight has been of a running character. The Telegraph's Tokyo correspondent says that an intermittent fight has prevailed in the Sea of Japan Saturday. It occasionally lifted when there was brilliant sunshine. The Russian ships were first sighted at 6 o'clock in the morning, approaching Tsu Island, under cover of a fog, which, however, lifted and the squadron retired. This squadron is believed to have consisted of six first-class ships and according to information received twenty-one more Russian ships were not far away. Nothing definite is known, however, says the correspondent, and the authorities merely reported that cannonading was proceeding. It has now been discovered, the correspondent says, that Rojostvensky's ships crawled along the coast of the island of Luzon on May 22 and on the following day transferred large quantities of bunker fuel and other supplies to the island. They cruised about north of Luzon and

coal from colliers. Then Rojostvensky decided to divide his fleet in several parts. He traversed the Bushee straits and steamed in a northeasterly direction.

On the morning of May 25 the Russians were southwest of Luchu Island, and the slow converted cruisers and the transports were sent to Shanghai, while the main squadron went on to Tsu Island.

A dispatch from Shanghai says that Japanese warships arrived in the night at Woosung Saturday and attacked Russian ships, but a later dispatch says that the Russian fleet refused to stay in the vicinity of Shanghai, while the vessels of the volunteer force are to leave for their destinations in French territory.

It is reported that Rojostvensky's squadron used Chusan, one of a group of islands off the east coast of China, as a naval base, and it also stated that the Chinese authorities ordered the vessels to leave Wu-chang by a cable Saturday night or haul down their flags. The Russians, the dispatch adds, were temporizing.

The Daily Telegraph's correspondent and the Daily Telegraph report, however, discredit the rumor that the Japanese will attack the Russian fleet in Kagasaki, which rumor links conditions from any other quarter.

Words Recalled.

Paris, May 29.—Editors of the morning newspapers here up to Monday morning at 4:45 o'clock express the fear that the Russians have met defeat in the naval combat. The main remark being that the dispatches from Washington are far from reassuring, recalls the words of Vice Admiral Rojostvensky when he entered far eastern waters: "If I am victorious, I shall inform you; if I am vanquished, Togo will inform you."

CONDUCTOR STABBED.

Brakeman and Miscreant Had a Tussle and Both Fell Off Train.

Beaumont, Tex., May 29.—Conductor Thomas Henley of the Kansas City Southern railway was perhaps mortally stabbed by a negro just before reaching this city. The negro was a passenger for a station ten miles out, and had paid his fare to the conductor. The latter dropped a quarter in making change, and when he stooped to pick it up the negro stabbed him three times in the back of the neck. The negro then ran and brakeman Foster tried to stop him at the platform. The brakeman struck him on the head with a lantern and they both fell off the train. The negro rose and ran

away, and is still at large, although blood spurted from him, and the officers think they will find him.

BLAKE STRICKEN.

Prominent Financier Sustains a Stroke of Apoplexy.

Dallas, May 29.—Hon. J. W. Blake, vice president and cashier of the Texas National bank, and well known throughout the southwest, sustained an attack of apoplexy Sunday night. He had just returned from the Commercial club excursion. His attending physician at midnight Sunday night stated that Mr. Blake had partial paralysis of the left side, and it would be some days before the probable results could be determined.

Gold and Silver.

Amarillo, Tex., May 29.—The Big Four Mining company, having lands about twenty miles from here, has received a report of an assay of ore taken from the mine. It shows the ore contains gold to the amount of \$429.55 to the ton, with a small percentage of silver.

WOODVILLE DAMAGED.

Several Other Indian Territory Points Report Damage by Wind.

Woodville, I. T., May 29.—Several houses were blown down here and a man fatally hurt. At Emory two or three houses were demolished, but nobody injured. Several houses were blown down at Colbert. No one hurt. The tornado passed southeast into the Chickasaw nation. Information from Platter is that several business houses and residences were blown down and the Frisco depot blown 200 yards and demolished. Man was injured.

PLATTER SHAKEN.

Five Houses Said to Have Been Demolished and Man Hurt.

Denison, May 29.—Section foreman of Frisco railway at Platter, twelve miles north on the Frisco, sends word that five houses were demolished there and a man killed. The wires were down and that was all the information obtainable Saturday. Platter has 300 population. Telegram was sent from Red River station.

Deadly Work of Tree.

Votaw, Tex., May 29.—A storm struck Fuqua, three miles west of here. A large pine tree was blown across the residence of Wade Robinson, demolishing it and killing his infant child, breaking his wife's leg below the knee and injuring him internally, perhaps fatally.

Frisco Track Strewn.

Paris, Tex., May 29.—At 4 o'clock Saturday morning a cyclone passed twenty-five miles north of here in Indian Territory. Little town of Great was struck, but there was no serious damage to property nor loss of life. Frisco track was strewn with fallen timber. Telegraph and telephone wires were blown down.

JANIE KILLS JACK.

Woman Fired a Bullet into the Man's Head, Over Left Eye.

Fort Worth, May 29.—Janie Wiley shot and instantly killed Jack Wilson at the corner of Fourth and Houston streets early Saturday morning. The two had differences and during the discussion of their trouble the shooting resulted. A razor and brick were in the hands of Wilson when he was killed. The woman fired a bullet into Wilson's head just over the left eye, death resulting immediately. The woman leisurely walked to Main and Fourth streets, went up into the Lennox flats, where she works as a chambermaid, was arrested soon after and locked up. She refuses to discuss the causes which led to the killing. Wilson was employed as a dishwasher at the Delaware cafe. Both are colored.

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W. M. Payne, Plaintiff,
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E. J. FANNIN, Clerk.
By W. B. Stone, Deputy.
C. C. Hatchett, Attorney for Plaintiff.
Jas. R. Armstrong, Attorney for Non-Resident Defendant.
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TENSION TREMENDOUS

Naval Circles at St. Petersburg on Saturday Excited.

RUMORED SEA FIGHT

It Was Claimed That the Movements of Rojostvensky Were as Much a Mystery to the Russians as to the Japs.

St. Petersburg, May 29.—The tension in naval circles Saturday was very great. News from the Russian and Japanese fleets was expected hourly. A dispatch from Tokyo to the Associated Press saying it was rumored the fleets had already engaged in the Straits of Korea aroused intense interest at the admiralty, but nothing confirmatory had been received there up to the time this dispatch was filed. The majority of officers are inclined to doubt the accuracy of the Tokyo report, believing Rojostvensky, with his fighting ships, was heading northward for the eastern part of Japan. Others, on the contrary, considered it quite likely that Rojostvensky, after passing out of the Pacific, doubled back via Luchu Islands and to take a straight course for Vladivostok. Rojostvensky, they pointed out, is a believer in strategy and mystification, and his cruise in the Pacific might have been not only to avoid the danger of mines and torpedo attacks in the shallow waters of the Straits of Formosa, but to deceive the Japanese into the belief that his objective was either Tsugara or La Pourse straits, while in reality he changed his course and headed for the Straits of Korea. As a matter of fact, Rojostvensky seems to have mystified his own admiralty as much as the Japanese. On one hand, the appearance of Russian colliers and converted cruisers off Shanghai is taken as being confirmatory of the theory that Rojostvensky's fighting division headed back after circling the island of Formosa, and, on the other hand, the presence of colliers and converted cruisers off Shanghai was regarded as a blind to confuse the Japanese. Orders sent Japanese merchant vessels at Chefoo to await instructions before sailing were considered to strengthen the former view, indicating that Admiral Togo had received information that Rojostvensky had altered his course and thereupon ordered all Japanese merchantmen to remain in port. The sighting of Admiral Rojostvensky's fleet of the Tsu Islands seemed to indicate that the Russian commander was determined to take the boldest course, and instead of skirting Japan and entering the Sea of Japan by Tsugara or La Pourse straits, meant to push direct through the Straits of Korea and try to reach Vladivostok, which is about 640 miles from the Tsu Islands. That he would be able to do so without at least being harassed by the Japanese seemed improbable, and the report circulated at Tokyo that the two fleets were engaged in the Straits of Korea it was thought might turn out correct. There is now a possibility that the course of Rojostvensky might have deceived Admiral Togo, the latter being still at the base he established to the north of the island of Formosa, in which case a general engagement. It was said, might not take place before the Russians reached Vladivostok. It was also possible that the Russian vessels sighted in the Straits of Korea were only to form a portion of the Russian fleet.

SAW FORTY-FIVE.

Nearly Every Kind of Vessel Is Noticed in the Fleet.

Hongkong, May 29.—The British steamer St. Kilda, which arrived here Saturday from Kuchinozu, Japan, reports having sighted early on the morning of May 25 forty-five Russian vessels, including battleships, cruisers, torpedoed destroyers, colliers, hospital ships and tugs, 140 miles southeast of the Saddle Islands. The Russians were stationary when first sighted and most of the colliers were half empty. Subsequently the Russian vessels steamed away, heading in a north-northwesterly direction.

Must Use Arms.

Warsaw, May 29.—Governor General Maxmowitch issued a proclamation directing the troops to restore order and use their arms without hesitation to this end, and giving notice that all persons arrested in connection with disturbances would be tried by court-martial. Strong patrols in cavalry and infantry patrol the city and all public buildings are guarded by troops.

Off Saddle Islands.

Washington, May 29.—Private advices received here Saturday of an entirely authentic nature reported more than twenty-one Russian vessels, including three battleships and three cruisers, were off Saddle Islands, which are sixty or seventy miles southeast of Shanghai. Additional information said that it was rumored a naval engagement had taken place.

Small Collisions.

Tokio, May 29.—Imperial army headquarters made the following announcement Saturday: "On May 26 our cavalry, in driving a body of Russian cavalry northeastward, occupied Hsuen-cheng, eighteen miles north of Changtu. Otherwise, with the exception of small collisions between detached parties on both sides, the situation is unchanged."

Report of Colliers.

Salgou, May 29.—Returning colliers report that Vice Admiral Rojostvensky arrived off Saddle Islands May 24 and proceeded in the direction of the Straits of Korea.

Finishes Its Labor.

Wilsons Lake, Ind., May 29.—Presbyterian general assembly ended Saturday.

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